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INTERVIEW SUMMARY RESPONSE

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Interview Summary mailed September 8, 2005. In the telephone interview of August 29, 2005, it was confirmed that the dynamically variable block size of Barbir did not cover the limitation of the instant claims wherein each block size varies in size from a previous block in response to variations of an internal state of the computing device caused by changes in the incoming plain text, since the variable block size is determined not by the incoming plain text, but by the output of a stream cipher. A discussion of RLE compression was initiated by the Examiner, and it was determined by the Examiner without substantive discussion by Applicant that Barbir did not apply as well.

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